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Per *Kohilla*, at 4.30 p.m., on 8
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alternative of one month's imprisonment, with hard labour, for disorderly behaviour in Hollywood Road, and assaulting a Chinese police constable.

This effective war strength of the Gurmiani army is to be increased to 4,500,000 men.

A PARAGRAPH in a San Francisco paper of the 22nd July says that William Milne, chief officer of the British steamer *Ningbo*, had left unannounced this morning shortly after midnight at the corner of Ellis and Market streets. He was taken to the City Receiving Hospital for treatment, but expired before he had been on operating table, and he died a few minutes. Dr. Brown attributed his death to paralysis of the heart. Milne was 56 years of age and was a native of Scotland.

ON the return journey in Saturday's yacht (page 4) the *Loch Lomond* was struck by a small and capricious near the Japanese steamer, throwing the crew of three and her skipper, Capt. J. P. Roberts, into the water, with the exception of a boat to her

where she was baled out into shallow water, and the body was then towed back to her moorings. The damage done to the boat appears to be very slight, only a little of the planking on the starboard side near the stem being free of the

The Siam Free Press of the 22nd August reports:—"We regret to record the death of Mr Bolus which took place in Klong Pui two days ago." The deceased was employed on our coast under the Railway Section En route, Mr Baroneazy, in Chantak, which position he held for the last four months. Mr Bolus arrived in Bangkok in March last and was an ex-officer of the Austrian Cavalry. He had travelled to Austria, China and Africa and was conversant with several dialects of the Chinese language. The body was brought down by train and

... have to thank the Statistical Department for a copy of the *Customs Gazette* for the second quarter of 1898. The total amount collected again shows a considerable decline as the following comparative figures indicate. They are in Haikuan taels, as usual:—

	1898.	1897.
Twenty-five Chinese treaty ports and stations	3,339,880	5,075,115
Xowloon and Lappe	108,161	255,633
Yungchow and Mengtze	33,049	31,800
Shanghai	2,919	2,261
Total	5,566,870	6,264,822

The falling-off in Shanghai alone amounts to over half-a-million taels.—N. C. Daily News.

We learn from Yokohama contemporaries that on the 18th August there was some excitement on board the ship *Lyndhurst* in Yokohama harbour. Three Norwegian sea-captains, who were known for their fondness for some drink, and indulged in some liquor. Then they exhibited their acquired courage by going aloft, and maintaining command on the yards. The boatswain, in addition, and ordered them to get down the deck, and when in a sort of general row started. They let out a shout, and left the boatswain, who, however, defended himself so well that the men were afterwards severely used. In the meantime the boatswain was ordered, and a posse of marines under command of the captain, from H.M.S. *Victorious*, soon boarded the vessel. The men by this time had gone to the forecastle, being apparently somewhat disarmed. The captain, however, ordered the boatswain to be flogged, and the boatswain was done by Lieutenant the Consul, and the sailors they gave the names of Ketchickstern, and Turp, and caused not a little amusement by their interruptions and an-

BYRON, who was notoriously poor, was the evening in company with the Duke of Buckingham, Lord Dorset, and some other members of wit and genius. "It happened on the first of January," says Dryden, "on the first of January, and the elegant style; and after some debate, they agreed that each party should write something, and the victor subject seemed to strike his imagination, and place it under the candlestick." Mr. Dryden's judgment. Most of the verses of the poets pains to outdo each other. Dryden wrote two or three lines, and the Duke wrote two or three lines, and the Duke threw them to the place agreed on. The Duke having finished, the arbiter opened the verses of their destiny. In going through the verses of the Duke, he found many of the measures and satisfaction; but in particular he seemed in raptures. "I must acknowledge," said Dryden, "that there are some knowledge of fine things in my hands." "I am so to do honour to the personages who wrote them," he said, "under an indisputable necessity of being true."

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House of Lords, Refreshment Department, 7th April, 1888.	House of Lords, Refreshment Department, May 24th, 1888.	Refreshment Department, House of Lords, June 10th, 1888.
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